In the Claims:

Kindly cancel claims 20 - 23, without prejudice.

Kindly substitute the following claims for the corresponding pending

claims:

A coaxial cable connector, comprising:

an inner contact configured to be securable to a center conductor of a coaxial cable;

a connector housing having a cavity for receiving said inner contact and configured for receiving the coaxial cable;

an outer contact secured to said connector housing and configured to be securable to an outer braid conductor of the coaxial cable; and

a coaxial cable displacement section connected to said outer contact, the coaxial cable displacement section having a displacement beam configured to pierce and hold an outer braid conductor of a coaxial cable with a retention force.

- 4. (Amended) The coaxial cable connector of claim 1, wherein the coaxial cable displacement section further comprises a pair of braid-receiving slots separated from one another by a distance corresponding to a diameter of an outer braid conductor of a coaxial cable.
- 5. (Amended) The coaxial cable connector of claim 1, wherein the coaxial cable displacement section includes a braid-receiving slot, the braid-receiving slot being configured to receive, and exert said retention force on, an outer braid conductor of a coaxial cable.
- 6. (Amended) The coaxial cable connector of claim 1, wherein the displacement beam includes an evenly tapered tip configured to guide said displacement beam along a straight path into a dielectric layer between a center and an outer braid conductor of a coaxial cable.

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7. (Amended) The coaxial cable connector of claim 1, wherein said inner contact represents a first inner contact, said connector further comprising: a second inner contact matable with said first inner contact, said second inner contact being configured to be secured to a center conductor of a second coaxial.